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To: All Participants in Ginnie Mae Programs

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Subject: HMBS Monthly Reporting Cycle

In an effort to provide timely disclosure to Investors in HECM Mortgage Backed Securities (HMBS), Ginnie Mae is moving up the deadline for addressing exception feedback and corrections to the HMBS Issuer Monthly Report of Pool, Loan and Participation Data (Monthly Reporting Data) in Ginnie Mae's Reporting and Feedback System (RFS).

The monthly reporting cycle consists of three elements: Initial submission of the Monthly Reporting Data, exception feedback, and corrections. The deadline for Initial Submission of the Monthly Reporting data will remain the same and will continue to be due no later than 7:00PM (Eastern Time) on the second (2nd) business day of the month following the reporting month. In contrast, the deadline for addressing exception feedback and making corrections is changing as follows.

Beginning with Monthly Reporting Data due on January 3, 2017 (for the December 2016 reporting period), the deadline for corrections is being bifurcated into two dates depending on the severity of the exception:

- Critical RFS exceptions that are designated as Errors ("E") and Critical ("C") related to the pool, loan and/or participation records must be corrected no later than 7:00PM (Eastern Time) on the 4th business day of the month following the reporting month.
- RFS exceptions that are designated Matching ("M") and Low ("L") must be corrected no later than 7:00PM (Eastern Time) on the 10th business day of the month following the reporting month.

The Reporting and Feedback System (RFS) HMBS Issuer Monthly reporting of Pool, Loan, and Participation Data, Appendix VI-17 (Appendix VI-17) to the Mortgage Backed Securities Guide 5500.3, Rev-1 (MBS Guide), has been updated to provide definitions for the categories of RFS exceptions—Errors ("E"), Critical ("C"), Matching ("M") and Low ("L"). The exception messages themselves, have also been added, and follow the record layout and definitions to which they relate.

In order to facilitate the accelerated reporting timeframes, Ginnie Mae is automating the distribution of exception feedback reports which will no longer be delivered to Issuers via email. Effective for reporting due January 3, 2017 (for the December 2016 reporting period), HMBS Issuers may obtain exception feedback reports from within the RFS module itself. Reports are available immediately after



the file has been processed and can be viewed or downloaded under the HMBS Reporting and Administration (HRA) "Exception Feedback" Tab in RFS. For specific instructions on viewing and downloading Exception Feedback Reports, please consult the HMBS Issuer User Guide contained within the HMBS Reporting and Administration (HRA) "Exception Feedback" Tab in RFS.

Lastly, several data field definitions in Appendix VI-17 have been revised to provide users with a more complete and accurate description of the data being requested by each field, but these clerical revisions do not require HMBS Issuers to implement any additional data file changes.

If you have technical questions regarding this announcement, please contact the Issuer Support Group at 1-888-446-6434. If you have other questions, please contact your Account Executive in the Office of Issuer and Portfolio Management directly or at (202) 708-1535.